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## Self-Discipline Tied To Secrecy

Middletown, Conn., Feb. 24 (AP)—Allen W. Dulles, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, urged today that the Federal Government and the American press adopt a policy of self-discipline regarding information that threatens the United States security.

Dulles said such a policy was needed to help prevent the Communist nations from learning as much as they have been about the military and political activities of this country.

Speaking before more than 300 Wesleyan University students at a conference on "Secrecy in a Free Society" the former intelligence chief said, because secrecy is part of the policy of the Soviet Union but not a part of our own, the Soviets know more about our military strength than we know about theirs.

To illustrate his point Dulles read from several newspaper clippings that concerned United States missile strategy. He said that if he could have acquired that kind of information about the Soviet Union when he was with the CIA, he would have been highly rewarded.

He said the Government was more at fault than the press for releasing this kind of information.

Most of it comes through careless leaks to the press and deliberate dissemination of information to the press by an agency seeking approval for some proposal, he said.

Dulles added, however, that Congress can be trusted to keep information secret if it is told the reason for the secrecy. If the Government were to warn the press in advance that a certain subject was sensitive, he was confident the press would exercise self-censorship in reporting it to the public.